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Amendments to Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

1. (Currently Amended) A computer implemented method, for dynamically provisioning computing resources, said method comprising:

receiving, by a computer based system for dynamically provisioning computing resources, a request for a computing resource, wherein said request is associated with an asset;

determining, by said computer based system, an asset classification of said asset, a business value of said asset, and a resource classification related to said asset,

wherein said asset classification is at least one of: a public asset, a business confidential asset, a private asset, and a secret asset,

wherein said business value of said asset is one of: a low value, a medium value, and a high value, and

wherein said resource classification is one of: a trusted classification for internal entities and a non-trusted classification for external entities;

dynamically assigning, by said computer based system, said asset to one of a plurality of security domains based on at least (1) a source of said request and (2) said determining, wherein each security domain corresponds to a different degree of security control; and

applying, by said computer based system, encryption to asset data based on said asset classification;

provisioning, by said computer based system, said computing resource based on said one of said plurality of security domains.

- 2. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 1, further comprising determining, by said computer based system, a data classification of said asset.
- 3-8. (Canceled)

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9. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 1, further comprising de-provisioning, by said computer based system, said computing resource.

- 10. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 1, further comprising de-provisioning, by said computer based system, said computing resource when said computing resource is no longer needed by said asset.
- 11. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 1, further comprising verifying, by said computer based system, a software inventory of at least one of: an internal client and an external client.
- 12. (Cancelled)
- 13. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 1, further comprising defining, by said computer based system, which processes may be suspended if said asset requires an additional computing resource.
- 14. (Canceled)
- 15. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 1, further comprising storing, by said computer based system, policies regarding processing assets when computing resources are limited due to a failure of at least one of: software and hardware.
- 16. (Currently Amended) A machine-readable <u>non-transitory</u> medium having stored thereon a plurality of instructions that, when executed by a <u>computer based system for dynamically provisioning computing resources processor</u>, cause said <u>computer based system processor</u> to perform a <u>method operations</u> comprising:

receiving, by said computer based system, a request for a computing resource, wherein said request is associated with an asset;

determining, by said computer based system, an asset classification of said asset, a business value of said asset, and a resource classification related to said asset,

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wherein said asset classification is at least one of: a public asset, a business confidential asset, a private asset, and a secret asset,

wherein said business value of said asset is one of: a low value, a medium value, and a high value, and

wherein said resource classification is one of: a trusted classification for internal entities and a non-trusted classification for external entities;

dynamically assigning, by said computer based system, said asset to one of a plurality of security domains based on at least (1) a source of said request and (2) said determining step, wherein each security domain corresponds to a different degree of security control; and

applying, by said computer based system, encryption to asset data based on said asset classification;

provisioning, by said computer based system, said computing resource based on said one of said plurality of security domains.

(Currently Amended) A system configured to facilitate dynamic provisioning of computing 17. resources, said system comprising a provisioning engine having a memory and processor, said provisioning engine configured to:

receive a request for a computing resource, wherein said request is associated with an asset, determine an asset classification, a business value of said asset, and a resource classification related to said asset based upon input from a manager component,

wherein said asset classification is at least one of: a public asset, a business confidential asset, a private asset, and a secret asset,

wherein said business value of said asset is one of: a low value, a medium value, and a high value, and

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wherein said resource classification is one of: a trusted classification for internal entities and a non-trusted classification for external entities;

dynamically assign said asset to one of a plurality of security domains based on at least (1) a source of said request and (2) said determining step, wherein each security domain corresponds to a different degree of security control; and

apply encryption to asset data based on said asset classification, wherein said encryption is applied by a policy manager instruction module;

provision said computing resource based on said one of said plurality of security domains.

- (Currently Amended) The system of claim 17, further comprising a server configured to 18. communicate with at least one of: an internal and an external client.
- (Previously Presented) The system of claim 17, further comprising a domain database 19. configured to store domain rules and policies.
- (Previously Presented) The system of claim 17, further comprising a connection manager 20. instruction module configured to direct at least one of: an internal client and an external client to comply with software requirements.
- 21. (Cancelled)
- (Previously Presented) The system of claim 17, further comprising a configuration manager 22. instruction module configured to identify which processes may be suspended if an asset requires additional computing resource.
- (Previously Presented) The system of claim 17, further comprising a risk manager 23. instruction module configured to verify software inventory of at least one of: an internal client and an external client.

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24. (Previously Presented) The system of claim 17, further comprising a recovery manager instruction module configured to store policies regarding processing assets when computing resources are limited due to at least one of: an equipment failure and a software failure.

25. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 1, further comprising determining a geographical source from which said request originates and applying at least one of a patch [[or]] and a privacy rule based on said geographical source determination.